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First Named Inventor Gordon T. Brown  
Art Unit 2161  
Examiner Name Edward R. Cosimano  
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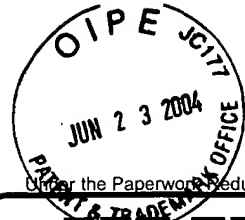
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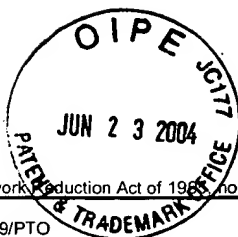
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